

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INVESTIGATION OF THE PURCHASED )  
POWER COSTS OF KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY ) CASE NO. 9325

O R D E R

On August 16, 1985, Kentucky Power Company ("KPC") filed an application requesting a rehearing of the Commission's Order entered July 29, 1985, wherein findings of fact were made regarding KPC's billing of Rockport fuel cost through its fuel adjustment clause ("FAC"). The July 29, 1985, Order also scheduled a hearing on August 14, 1985, for the purpose of receiving testimony on the calculation of customer refunds.

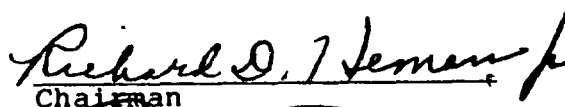
The Commission is of the opinion and hereby finds that its Order entered July 29, 1985, is an interlocutory order since it establishes a further hearing for presentation of additional testimony on KPC's Rockport fuel costs. The findings of fact contained therein could be modified based on evidence adduced at the subsequent hearing. To entertain an application for rehearing of an interlocutory order would disrupt the orderly process of administrative proceedings before the Commission and result in piecemeal rehearings. The Commission cannot sanction the inefficiency and duplication of time and resources which would occur if such rehearings were granted. Applications for

rehearing of final Commission orders will be reviewed as provided by statute. (See KRS 278.400.)

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Application for Rehearing filed on August 16, 1985, be and it hereby is dismissed as premature.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 5th day of September, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Secretary